



REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN, AUDITORS,

AND OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

OF THE

TOWN OF AUBURN,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

MARCH 9, 1853.

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REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

Paid State Treasurer.....	\$160 30	
" County "	254 37	
		<u>\$414 67</u>

SCHOOL MONEY.

Paid District No. 1, in full.....	\$36 70	
" " " 2, "	53 04	
" " " 3, "	85 03	
" " " 4, "	58 52	
" " " 5, "	52 29	
" " " 6, "	46 44	
" " " 7, "	56 27	
" " " 8, "	58 72	
" " " 3, in Candia, for 1852, ...	1 09	
" " " 3, in Candia, for 1851,....	88	
		<u>\$448 98</u>

SCHOOL HOUSE TAXES.

Paid District No. 7, tax assessed in 1851,....	\$20 00	
" " " " " " 1852,....	30 00—	\$50 00

STATIONERY.

<i>Wm. H. Fisk's Bill.</i>		
1852, March 16. To 1 Quire Paper.....	20	
1 Invoice Book	25	
1 doz. Pens, 10, Ink and Wafers, 15,	25—	70
<i>Wm. Young's Bill.</i>		
1852, Oct. 28. To 1 Quire Foolscap Paper..	20	
1 Quire Bill Paper.....	10—	30
<i>Elisha A. Heath's Bill.</i>		
1852, Oct. To cash paid for 1 blank check list,	10	
1853. To 1 quire paper, 20, 1 bottle Ink 6,..	26—	36
<i>Wm. H. Fisk's Bill.</i>		
1853, Feb. 16. To 2 Check Lists 20, 1 blank 6,	26	
½ Quire Paper.....	12—	38
		<u>\$1 74</u>

SUPPORT OF PAUPERS.

Amasa Waterman's Bill.

1852, March 11. To paid Betsy Parry for services rendered to the family of Richard Emery,..... \$3 00

L. Melvin & Co.'s Bill.

1852, Dec. 22. To Goods furnished to S. Burrill—7 yds Sheeting 63, 1 pr small Shoes 50, 1 box Mustard 12,..... 1 25

To Goods furnished to George Moore from Feb. 27 to Aug. 7, 1852,..... 11 59

Sally Brown's Bill.

1852, July. To nursing and taking care of Geo. Moore three days,..... 50

Jacob Burrill's Bill.

1853, Jan. To boarding and nursing G. Brook Burrill,..... 16 00

To boarding and nursing 3 children of Elizabeth Osgood, from March 10, 1852 to March 10, 1853—52 weeks, at \$1 50 per week, 78 00— \$94 00

Nathan Plummer's Bill.

1852. To medical attendance on the Osgood family from March 8, 1852 to Aug. 15, 1852,..... 7 10

To medical attendance on George Moore from Feb. 14, 1852 to Sept. 12, 1852, 19 42

To supplies furnished G. Moore from March 6 to May 5, 1852,..... 1 80— \$28 32

Town of Chester's Bill.

1852, April 3. To funeral expenses of Stephen Worthen,..... 6 00

1853, Feb. 1. To boarding and nursing Sally Whorf from Ap'l 1, 1852 to Ap'l 1, 1853, 60 00

To 8 yards Cloth for said Whorf,..... 64

To board of Isaac Stickney from Dec. 3, 1852 to April 1, 1853—17 weeks,..... 17 00— \$83 64

Dr. Whittemore's Bill.

1850. To medical attendance on Sally Whorf and Mrs. Rollins from July 14, 1849 to Nov. 24, 1850,..... 3 50

James Underhill's Bill.

1852. To boarding Isaac Stickney from Nov. 25 to Dec. 3—8 days, \$1 per week..... 1 14

Elisha A. Heath's Bill.

1852. To Goods furnished G. Burrill and family,..... 3 46

\$230 40

NON-RESIDENT HIGHWAY TAXES WORKED OUT.

Paid Gilman C. Smith, in Dist. No. 9 for 1852,	9	41
Hiram McDuffee, " " 4 "	7	97
Matthew Dickey, " " 2 "	7	19
Amherst Emery, " " 1 "	5	23
Marvin R. Proctor, " " 7 "	6	25
Edward D. Eaton, " " 13 "	4	38
Kendrick Emery, " " 11 "	2	06
Joseph Brown, " " 5 "	3	01
Edward Prescott, " " 8 "		74
S. M. McDuffee, " " 6 "	11	75
David P. Brickett, " " 12 "	4	83
Elisha A. Heath, " " 3 "	37	50
Harrison Burnham, Collector for 1851, for one certificate of tax worked out by non- residents,		89
Paid Thomas J. Crombie, Collector for 1852, for sundry certificates of tax worked out by non-residents,	28	91— \$130 12

IMPROVEMENTS ON HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

<i>Daniel Brown's Bill.</i>		
1852, Aug. 14. To 4 days' work on Meadow Bridge, in Dist. No. 13,		4 00
<i>Jonathan Sargent's Bill.</i>		
1852, Aug. 16. To $3\frac{1}{2}$ days' work, self, oxen and cart, on Meadow Bridge,		7 00
<i>Hazen Davis's Bill.</i>		
1852, April 28. To 2 days' work, self, oxen and horse, repairing highway,	3	68
To cart $2\frac{1}{2}$ days,	50—	4 18
<i>Gilman C. Smith's Bill.</i>		
1852, Aug. 12. To 3 days' work on Candia and Manchester Road,	3	00
Sept. 24 and 28. To $2\frac{3}{4}$ do do...	2	48
Aug. 12 and 17. Paid T. J. Crombie for $3\frac{1}{2}$ days' work,	3	50
Sept. 28. To 1 do do		83
Aug. 12. Paid Ephraim Kelley for $2\frac{1}{2}$ do	2	50
" " Warren Kelley for $1\frac{3}{4}$ do	1	75
" " Matthew Reid, 1 day self and oxen,	2	00
Sept. 28. Paid Matthew Reid $\frac{3}{4}$ do do	1	28
Aug. 12. " Thornton Hazen $1\frac{1}{4}$ days' work,	1	25
Sept. 28. " do do for 8 hours' work,		64

Aug. 12	"	John Moore, 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ days' work	5	75	
"	"	S. W. Smith, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	1	00	
"	"	H. G. Smith, 2 "	1	00	
"	"	Moses Crombie, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	2	50	
Sept. 28.	"	Robert Patten, 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ "	1	48	
Nov. 18.	"	Robert Patten, 1 day, self and horse,.....	1	16	
Sept. 28.	"	Jesse Whittemore, 4 days, self and oxen,.....	3	36—	\$35 48
<i>Amos Stickney's Bill.</i>					
1852, April 23 to 29.		To 5 days' work, self and oxen, repairing the Senter Road,....	8	35	
		To cart 4 days,.....	84—		9 19
<i>Hiram McDuffee's Bill.</i>					
1852, April 23.		To self, hand and two yoke oxen 5 days, repairing the Senter Road, at \$3 per day,.....	15	00	
		To cash paid for 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. powder, at 25 cts,	1	13	
"	"	Sharpening drills,.....	42		
"	"	Cart and plough 5 days,....	1	08—	17 63
<i>L. Melvin & Co.'s Bill.</i>					
1852, Aug. 14.		To 5 lbs. Spikes, at 4 cts., de- livered to J. Underhill,.....	20		
Nov. 11.		To 4 lbs. Spikes, at 5 cts., deliv- ered to E. D. Eaton,.....	20—		40
<i>Josiah Hall, Jr.'s Bill.</i>					
1852, April 28.		To 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ days' work on the vil- lage road,.....			2 10
<i>Lyman Eaton's Bill.</i>					
1852, April 22,		To self, oxen and horse, 1 day, repairing highway,.....	2	00	
May 27.		To 1000 feet chestnut stringers, at \$10 per M.,.....	10	00	
July.		To 996 ft pine plank, at \$10 per M,	9	96—	21 96
<i>George G. Griffin's Bill.</i>					
1852, April 24 & 28.		To 2 days' work repair- ing highway,.....	1	66	
		Sebastian Griffin, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ day,.....	1	25	
29.	"	$\frac{1}{2}$ do,.....	42		
		Nathan Griffin, 1-2 do,.....	42		
	"	— oxen, 1 do,....	75—		4 50
<i>Dennis W. Cass's Bill.</i>					
1852, April 22 & 23.		To self and oxen 1 1-2 days, in Dist. No. 7,.....	2	51	
		To hand and cart 1 1-2 days,.....	1	56—	4 07
<i>Thomas J. Crombie's Bill.</i>					
1852, April 27.		To 3 1-2 days' work on Candia road,.....	2	90	
		Oxen 1 day,.....	83		

20. Paid James M. Crombie, for 2 days,	1 66	
" Jacob Buswell, 1 1-2 days, self		
and oxen,.....	2 48	
20 to 27. Paid Robert Patten for 2 1-2 do..	2 07	
Boy 1-2 day, 17 cts.; horse 3		
hours, 24,.....	41	
20. Paid James Severance for 1 1-2 days,		
self and oxen,.....	2 48	
Wm. Severance, 1 1-2 day,....	1 24	
Warren Kelley, 1 1-2 do,.....	1 24	
Ephraim Kelley, 1 1-2 do,.....	1 24	
John Moore, 1-2 do,.....	41	
Jay N. Kelley, 1-2 do,.....	41	
Thornton Hazen, 1-4 do,.....	21—	17 58
<i>Joseph Calef's Bill.</i>		
1852, April 23. To self, oxen and cart 1 day,		
repairing highway,.....	1 87	
28. To self, oxen and cart 4 h'rs,	75—	2 62
<i>Willard G. Watson's Bill.</i>		
1852. To 300 feet chestnut plank, \$10 per M.,	3 00	
Teaming same from Dearborn's Mill,	50—	3 50
<i>Benjamin Griffin's Bill.</i>		
1852, April 23. To 1 day's work on highway,	84	
To damage to plough,.....	3 00—	3 84
<i>E. H. K. Gilbert's Bill.</i>		
1852, March 5. To repairing highway.....	50	
18. " " ".....	25	
April 1. " " ".....	30	
22 & 23. To 2 days ".....	1 68	
To hand 1 day,.....	75—	3 48
<i>Emerson Preston's Bill.</i>		
1852, Aug. 25. To sharpening drill for E. D.		
Eaton,.....	34	
Sept. 13. To mending chains,.....	30—	64
<i>Augustus G. Wiley's Bill.</i>		
1852. To 17 hours' work repairing roads,....	1 43	
April 23. To paid Luther Underhill.....	25—	1 68
<i>Richard Hall's Bill.</i>		
1852, April 26 & 27. To self, oxen and cart		
1 1-2 days on highway,.....	2 82	
Use of plough,.....	12—	2 94
<i>Moses Hall's Bill.</i>		
1852, April 26 to 28, To self, oxen and cart		
2 1-2 days on highway,.....	4 70	
Use of plough,.....	25—	4 95
<i>Marvin R. Proctor's Bill.</i>		
1852, Nov. 29. To 1-2 day's work on road near		
J. Meads,.....		42

Rament Preston's Bill.

1852, Nov. 22. To 4 1-2 days' labor in Dist.

No. 7, at 5s,..... 3 74

To 48 feet plank, B. M., at \$10 per M., 48— 4 22

Edward D. Eaton's Bill.

1852, Nov. 13. To 408 feet plank, \$10 per M, 4 08

To labor,..... 50— 4 58

Amherst Coult's Bill.

1852, Aug. 14. To 3 days' work on the Dear-

born bridge,..... 3 00

Edward D. Eaton's Bill.

1852, Aug. To 6 1-2 days work on Meadow

Bridge in Dis. No. 1, a \$1,25 per day, 8 12

April, 1 days work on highway..... 84

Paid Samuel Murray..... 25

Aug. 14, 4 hours work..... 32— 9 53

Joseph Brown's Bill.

1852, June, To labor on Deer Neck Bridge, 25

Aug. 11, going to procure plank for said Br. 30

Sept. 10, paid for 17 1-2 lb. Spikes..... 70

2 days labor..... 1 68— 2 93

Franklin Brown's Bill.

1852, June, To 17 ft. Plank for Deer Neck

Bridge..... 17

Sept. 2 days labor..... 1 68— 1 85

George W. Varnum's Bill.

1852, April 26. To 2 1-2 days labor on

highway..... 2 10

Edward Prescott's Bill.

1852, April 22. To 7 hours work self and

oxen on highway..... 1 12

George R. Gilbert's Bill.

1852, April 23 and 24. To 2 days labor on

Highway..... 1 68

Hand 1 day..... 84— 2 52

George W. Severance's Bill.

1852, June. To covering stone for water course, 1 00

Stephen Varnam's Bill.

1852, April 23. To 2 days repairing roads,... 1 67

Paid Calvin Varnum for 2 days, 1 67

Paid William Hall for 4 days, 3 34— 6 68

David S. Cluff's Bill.

1852, Oct. To 1 day's work on Blunt Bridge, 84

10 lbs. Spikes, at 4 cts.,..... 40— 1 24

Hidden Brown's Bill.

1852, April 20. To 3 3-4 days' labor repairing

highway,..... 3 12

Use of cart,..... 17— 3 29

John Sargent's Bill.

1852. To 2 1-2 days' labor on highway..... 2 10

James Underhill's bill.

1852, April 17. To 6 hours' work on Davis's
hill,..... 50
23, To self, oxen and cart 1-2 day,..... 84
Paid Joseph L Underhill 1-2 day,.... 42
Paid Hazen Davis 1 2-3 hours,.... 14
26, 27, 28, To 3 days' labor,..... 2 50
Oxen and cart 2 1-2 days,.... 2 58
Paid Joseph L Underhill 2 1-2 days,.... 2 08
Aug 13 & 14, To 2 days on Dearborn
bridge,..... 2 00— 11 06

Samuel Dinsmore's bill.

1852, April 23, To 4 hours repairing highway, 33
Paid Samuel Anderson for 12 hours,.... 1 00
To cart 1-2 day,..... 10
Paid S M McDuffee for 4 hours,..... 33
Paid Jesse Patten for 4 hours,..... 33
Paid John Cross for 8 hours,..... 66
Cart 1-2 day,..... 10
22, George W. Severance 1-2 day,.... 42
23, " " 12 hours,.... 1 00
Cart 1-2 day,..... 10 4 37

John Clark's Bill.

1852. To 318 feet Plank, a 10 per M..... \$3 18

James Calef's Bill.

1851, Oct. 12. To 18 feet Plank..... 18
Labor..... 16— 34

Nathaniel Brown's Bill.

1852, Nov. 13. To 1099 feet Plank delivered
J. Brown... .. \$10 99

Amasa Brown's Bill.

1852, April 23. To 1 day's work on road... 83
Warren Brown $\frac{1}{2}$ day..... 21
28. $\frac{1}{2}$ day's work..... 42— \$1 46

\$229 72

BREAKING OUT HIGHWAYS.

Thomas J. Crombie's Bill.

1852, Jan. 8. To 18 hours breaking out roads,	1	44	
Gilman C. Smith, 28 hours.....	2	24	
James Severance, 14 hours.....	1	12	
James M. Crombie, 5 hours.....		40	
Joshua Webster, 8 hours.....	64	—	5 84

Hiram McDuffie's Bill.

1852, Jan. 8. To 18 hours breaking out roads,	1	44	
Paid sundry persons for 50 hours.....	4	00	
19. 4 hours breaking roads.....		32	
15 hours do.....	1	20	
Paid sundry persons for 59 hours....	4	72	
Feb. 25. 4 hours breaking roads.....		32	
March 12. 8 hours do.....		64	
Paid sundry persons for 39½ hours do...	3	16—	15 80

Lydia Manting's Bill.

1852, Feb. 9. Oxen 4½ hours breaking roads,			36
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Amherst Emery's Bill.

1852, Jan. 9. To 9 hours breaking roads....		72	
8, 9 hours do.....		72	
20, 7 hours do.....		56	
Feb. 2, 6 hours do.....		48	
9, 4½ hours do.....		36	
Aug. 1 day repairing highway.....	1	00—	3 84

James Underhill's Bill.

1852, Jan. 8. To 13½ hours breaking roads...	1	08	
Paid sundry persons for 21½ hours.....	1	72	
13, 3 hours do.....		24	
Joseph L. Underhill, 3 hours.....		24	
20, 12 hours breaking roads.....		96	
Paid sundry persons for 20 hours do....	1	60	
Feb. 3, 6 hours do.....		48	
Paid sundry persons for 14 hours do....	1	12	
20, paid Rament Preston for 4 hours do.....		32	
March, paid Rament Preston and D. Brown, 6 hours		48—	8 24

Willard G. Watson's Bill.

1851, Dec. 27. To 3 hours breaking roads...		24	
1852, Jan. 7. 17 hours do.....	1	36	
8, 19 hours do.....	1	52	
13, 8 hours do.....		64	
20, 21 hours do.....	1	68	
23, 3 hours do.....		24	
Feb. 2, 12 hours do.....		96	
3, 3 hours do.....		24—	6 88

E. H. K. Gilbert's Bill.

1852, Jan. 7. To 5 hours breaking roads....		40	
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19, 4 hours do.....	32		
Paid help.....	30		
7 hours labor.....	56—	1	58
<i>Stephen's Dearborn's Bill.</i>			
1852, Jan. 7. To self and Oxen 5 hours each, breaking roads.....	80		
Paid Abram Hook for himself and Oxen 5 hours.....	80—	1	60
<i>David M. Howe's Bill.</i>			
1852. To 13½ hours breaking roads....	1	08	
Jan 20, 11½ hours do.....	92		
Feb. 25, 20 hours do.....	1	60	
April 23, Repairing highway 33 hours....	2	64—	6 24
<i>Samuel Dinsmore's Bill.</i>			
1851, Dec. 23. Paid S. M. McDuffie for four hours breaking roads.....	32		
Paid B. S. Clark for 3 hours do.....	24		
Jan. 8, 4 hours do.....	32		
13, 2 hours do.....	16		
20, 9 hours do.....	72		
Feb. 2, 3 hours do.....	24		
Jan. 8, 13, 20, and Feb. 2, paid T. Coffin for 26½ hours do.....	2	12	
G. W. Severance, 19 hours do.....	1	52	
Dec. 23, paid Jesse Patten, 4 hours do.....	32—	5	96
<i>Andrew F. Fox's Bill.</i>			
1852, Jan. 7. To hand and 2 yoke of Oxen 3½ hours breaking roads.....	84		
8, 4 hours do.....	96		
19, 4½ hours do.....	1	08—	2 88
<i>James Calef's Bill.</i>			
1852, Jan. 7. To 5½ hours breaking roads,...	44		
8, 7½ hours do.....	60		
20, 5½ hours do.....	36		
Feb. 2, 10 hours do.....	80		
9, 9½ hours do.....	76		
12, 1 hour do.....	08—	3	04
<i>Nehemiah Lufkin's Bill.</i>			
1852, Jan. 7. To 5½ hours breaking roads...	44		
20, 4½ hours do.....	36		
Feb. 2, 10 hours do.....	80—	1	60
<i>Nathan Plumer's Bill.</i>			
1852, Feb. 9. To 5½ hours breaking roads....			44
<i>Amherst Emery's Bill.</i>			
1851, Feb. 7. To 9 hours breaking roads....			72
<i>Benjamin Dearborn's Bill.</i>			
1852, Jan. 8. To 3 hours breaking roads....	24		
Paid sundry persons for 31½ hours break- ing roads.....	2	52	

17, 4 hours do	32	
20, paid sundry persons for 21 hours do.	1 68	
Feb. 2, D. P. Brickett for 3 hours do.....	24	
12, 6 hours breaking roads.....	48	
Paid sundry persons for 17 hours do....	1 36	
March 11, 3 hours do.....	24—	7 08
<i>Stephen's Varnum's Bill.</i>		
1851, Dec. 24. To 2½ hours breaking roads..	20	
Paid Peter Hardy and Wm. Hall for 7½		
hours do.....	60	
1852, Jan. 8, 3½ hours do.....	28	
Paid P. Hardy and Wm. Hall 10½ hours,	84	
14, 3 hours do.....	24	
Paid P. Hardy and Wm. Hall, 9 hours..	72—	2 88
<i>Franklin Brown's Bill.</i>		
1852, Jan. 8. To 10 hours breaking roads...	80	
Feb. 3, 4 hours do.....	32—	1 12
<i>Silas Heselton's Bill.</i>		
1852, Jan. 7. To self and Oxen three hours		
breaking roads.....	48	
8, 2 hours do.....	32	
20, 6 hours do	96	
23, Self 4 hours do.....	32	
Feb. 2, Self and Oxen 3 hours do.....	48—	2 56
<i>Joseph Brown's Bill.</i>		
1850, Jan. 30. To three hours breaking roads,	24	
Dec. 24. 2½ hours " "	20	
do oxen " "	20	
1851, Jan. 6. To 5 hours self and oxen.....	80	
22. James H. Brown, 2 hours,...	16	
<i>Graham Hall's Bill.</i>		
1852, Jan. 8. To 11½ hours breaking out		
roads.....	92	
9, 8 1-2 hours do.....	68	
9, 2 1-2 hours do.....	20	
Feb. 2, 4 hours do.....	32	
9, 2 hours do.....	16	
April, 5 hours on highway,.....	40—	\$2 68
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		\$82 94

TOWN CLERK'S SERVICES.

<i>Harrison Burnham's Bill.</i>		
1852. To copying Invoice, Taxes and other		
services	6 00	
To cash paid Drs. Plummer and Whit-		
temore, for copies of Births and Deaths,	1 70	
To recording the same,.....	2 04—	9 74

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Harrison Burnham's List for 1851.

1851. James C. Wing, paid in Manchester,...	2	04	
Henry C. Pray, gone from town,.....	2	41	
Jeremiah Wells, do.....	2	49	
Charles H. Carr, do.....	2	49	
Thomas C. Brigham, do.....	2	04	
Hugh B. Cochran, over taxed,.....	1	92	
Edward P. Offutt, do.....	9	75	
Amherst Emery, do.....		40	
Jacob Burrill, over seventy,....	2	04—	\$25 25

Thomas J. Crombie's List for 1852.

1852. Amos West, gone from town,.....	1	90	
James W. Pingree, do.....	1	00	
John M. Mason, do.....	1	90	
Seth Saunders, ,...	1	90	
Franklin Howe, do.....	2	12	
James R. Gordan for horse paid in San-			
down,....		28	
Jacob Burrill, over seventy,.....	1	12	
John Moore, over taxed.....	1	00	
The Johnson place over taxed,.....		29	
Hiram Preston, wrong taxed,.....	1	90—	\$15 31
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			\$40 89

PRINTING TOWN ACCOUNTS.

Campbell & Gilmore's Bill.

To Printing accounts for 1851 and '52,.	12	00
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Andrew F. Fox's Bill.

1852, March 5. To 1 day to Manchester, to see about the printing of Town accounts	1	00	
Horse and sleigh to Manchester,....	50—		\$1 50

Elisha A. Heath's Bill.

1852, Feb. 26. To 1 day to Manchester pro- curing the printing of Town accounts..	1	00	
Horse and sleigh to Manchester,....		50	
To 1 day distributing Town accounts,...	1	00	
To cash paid for do.....	25—		\$2 75
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			\$16 25

DEBTS PAID.

1852, March 22. Paid Sophia Sawyer's Note and interest,.....	63 92
Oct. 12. Paid on Sophia Sawyer's Note.....	56 00
April, 10, pd. on Hannah Patten's Note and interest... ..	122 23
Sept. do pd. on Sarah A. Patten's do.....	124 72— \$366 87

COLLECTOR'S SERVICES.

Harrison Burnham's bill.

1851. To collecting \$2159,65 at $1\frac{3}{4}$ per cent	\$37 79
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SUNDRY BILLS.

Zebulon Jones' Bill.

1852. To Money assigned to Teachers Institute.....	8 24
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Sylvester Pressey's Bill.

1852. To damage sustained by reason of the snow encumbering the highway in Dis. No. 7.....	5 00
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John Moore's Bill.

1852. To enrolling and returning the 2d company of Infantry 17th Reg. N. H. Militia for 1852.....	2 00
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Emerson Preston's Bill.

1851, Oct. To repairing grave tools.....	37
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John Clark's Bill.

1852. To use of M. Meeting House for Town Meeting for 1852.....	20 00
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Post Office Bill.

1853, Feb. 2. To postage to date.....	47
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James Holmes' Bill.

1853, Feb. 10. To services as Sup't. School Committee for the year 1852.....	7 18
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Graham Hall's Bill.

1852, Jan. To erecting guide post and furnishing material.....	2 50
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Pike Chase's Bill.

1853, Feb. 19. To getting County pauper money at Exeter.....	1 00
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\$46 76

SELECTMEN'S EXPENSES.

Elisha A. Heath's bill.

1852, April 7. To cash paid expense while taking invoice.....	2	16	
15, 16, 17, 9 meals and horse baitings for Selectmen.....	1	83	
19, 20, 4 do.....	1	00	
28, horse and wagon to Chester.....		50	
Dec. 11. To paid H. Burnham.....	1	50	
1853, Jan. 8, do Josiah Hall Jr.....	1	25	
Feb. 5. do H. Burnham.....	1	25	
8, cash paid A. F. Fox for horse and wagon to Chester.....		75	
10, 4 meals and horse baiting for Selectmen and Collector.....		84	
18, 4 do.....	84—		\$11 92

James Underhill's bill.

1852, Dec. 3. To horse and wagon to Chester poor farm.....	65		
1853, Feb. 9. To paid expense to Hooksett to see about paupers.....	25—		1 07

Willard G. Watson's bill.

1852, March 20. To horse and wagon to Chester to see about burying S. Worthen..	50—		\$13 49
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SELECTMEN'S SERVICES.

Elisha A. Heath's bill.

1852, March 12. To $\frac{1}{2}$ day on town business,	50		
20, $\frac{1}{2}$ day do.....	50		
April, 1, 2, 3, 4, 7. To 5 days taking invoice.	5	00	
9, $\frac{1}{2}$ day on town business,.....		50	
15, 6 days making taxes, Surveyors' Warrants, return to Secretary of State, &c.,	6	00	
23. To $1\frac{1}{2}$ day copying Surveyors' Warrants,.....	1	50	
24, $\frac{1}{2}$ day examining roads,.....		50	
27, $\frac{1}{2}$ day distributing Surveyors' warrants		50	
28, To Chester on town business,.....	1	00	
May 6. To 1 day on town business,.....	1	00	
27 & 29, 2 days making Collector's Book, &c.....	2	00	
July, 3, $\frac{1}{2}$ day on town business,.....		50	
4, $\frac{1}{2}$ day do.....		50	
Sept. 7, $\frac{1}{2}$ day settling S. A. Patten's notes, and other business.....		50	

Oct. 14, 1 day making Check List and warrants for town meeting.....	1 00	
16, $\frac{1}{2}$ day posting up do.....	50	
30, $\frac{1}{2}$ day on town business.....	50	
Nov. 27, $\frac{1}{2}$ day do.....	50	
Dec. 11, 1 day Settling Town accounts.....	1 00	
21 and 22, $1\frac{1}{2}$ day seeing about G. Burrell and family.....	1 50	
1853, Jan. 8, 1 day Settling Town accounts..	1 00	
Feb. 5, 1 day do.....	1 00	
8, 1 day to Chester to Settle for Paupers..	1 00	
10, 1 day Settling with Collector, &c....	1 00	
17, 2 days preparing Selectmen and Town Treasurer's account.....	2 00	
18, 1 day making Check List, Warrants for Town Meeting.....	1 00	
21, 2 days preparing Town accounts for press.....	2 00	
22, 1 day with Auditors.....	1 00—	\$35 50

James Underhill's Bill.

1852, March 12. To $\frac{1}{2}$ day on Town business,	50	
April 1, 2, 3. To 3 days taking invoice.....	3 00	
15, 16. 2 days making taxes.....	2 00	
July 10. To $\frac{1}{2}$ day examining roads.....	50	
Aug. 3. To 1-2 day to see about Candia road,	50	
Oct. 14. To 1-2 day making Check List and warrants for Town Meeting.....	50	
Dec. 3. To 1-2 day to Chester to carry pauper	50	
11, 1 day settling town accounts.....	1 00	
1853, Jan. 8. To 1 day do.....	1 00	
Feb. 5. To 1 day do.....	1 00	
8, 9, 2 days to Hooksett to see about paupers.....	2 00	
10, 1 day settling town accounts.....	1 00	
18, 1 day making Check List and warrants for Town Meeting.....	1 00	
22, 1 day with Auditor.....	1 00—	15 50

Willard G. Watson's Bill.

1852, March 12. To 1-2 day on town business,	50	
20, 1 day to Chester to see about burying S. Worthen.....	1 00	
April 5, 2 days taking invoice.....	2 00	
15, 4 days making taxes, &c.....	4 00	
21, 1 day do.....	1 00	
29, 1-2 day making Collector's Book....	50	
July 10. To 1-2 day on town business.....	50	

Oct. 14. To 1-2 day making Check List and warrants for Town Meeting.....	50	
Dec. 11. To 1 day settling town accounts.....	1 00	
1853, Jan 8. To 1 day do.....	1 00	
Feb. 10. To 1 day do.....	1 00	
18, 1 day making Check List and warrants for Town Meeting.....	1 00	
22, 1 day with Auditors.....	1 00—	15 00
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		\$66 00

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

Town of Auburn in account with E. A. Heath, Treasurer.

	<i>Dr.</i>
Paid State and County Taxes,	\$414 67
School Money,	448 98
School House Taxes,	50 00
Stationery,	1 74
Support of Paupers,	230 40
Non-resident Highway Taxes worked out,	130 12
Improvements on Highways and Bridges,	229 72
Breaking out Highways,	82 94
Town Clerk's Services,	9 74
Abatement of Taxes,	40 89
Printing Town Accounts,	16 25
Debts paid,	366 87
Collector's Services,	37 79
Sundry Bills,	46 76
Selectmen's Expenses,	13 49
Selectmen's Services,	66 00
Services and Expense of Auditors and expense of Selectmen,	3 25
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	\$2189 61
	<i>Cr.</i>
Rec'd of A. F. Fox, Treasurer for 1851,	4 22
Jonathan Bailey and Samuel Aiken's Taxes,	4 87
State Treasurer, Literary Fund,	37 76
State Treasurer, Railroad Tax,	6 08
County, for support of Paupers,	88 53
H. Burnham, Collector for 1851, in full,	521 68
T. J. Crombie, Collector for 1852, in part,	1676 67
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	2339 81
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	Dr.—2189 61
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Balance in Treasury,	150 20

STATEMENT.

The Town of Auburn owes the following Notes—

Pike Chase, note dated May 10, 1848,	\$120 00
Interest on said note to February 23, 1853,	38 64
Edward Prescott, note dated September 16, 1848,	100 00
Interest on said note to February 23, 1853,	29 54
Pike Chase, note dated November 13, 1848,	45 00
Interest on said note to February 23, 1853,	12 75
B. Pike Chase, note dated November 22, 1848,	250 00
Interest paid to Feb. 22, 1851—due February 22, 1853,	30 90
Sophia Sawyer, note dated Jan. 24, 1849, \$100	50 00
Interest paid to Jan. 24, 1852, and \$50 of principal,	
	<hr/> \$676 83
Due from T. J. Crombie, Collector for 1852,	363 16
Balance in hands of Treasurer,	150 20
	<hr/> \$513 36
Balance against the Town,	<hr/> \$163 47

ELISHA A. HEATH,
JAMES UNDERHILL,
WILLARD G. WATSON, } Selectmen.

Auburn, February 22, 1853.

We, the undersigned, hereby certify that we have this day examined the foregoing account of the Selectmen and Town Treasurer, and find the same correctly cast, with proper vouchers for the several charges, and we recommend that the Town allow the same.

JOHN S. BROWN, }
ANDREW F. FOX, } Auditors.

REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

THE SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE commence their Report, saying, that this people should be grateful that the schools generally have been so successful the past year. The Committee feel that much progress has been made. For the past six years many teachers of the first class have been employed. It is thought that there is not a single District which has not had one or more noble examples in teaching, and this fact has led parents and children to expect much; and hence, ordinary teachers have little chance of securing a good reputation. A few remarks will succeed a review of each school.

DISTRICT No. 1.—The money in this was all expended in one term of $15\frac{1}{2}$ weeks commencing in Sept. There were 16 scholars, average attendance, 13; a female teacher; wages, \$7 per month. She evidently loves teaching and was especially successful with small scholars, and some were only three years old; the rest made commendable progress and the school appeared well governed. This teacher, by further study, may be eminently useful.

DISTRICT No. 2.—Here also there was only one term of school; taught by a female, 14 weeks; wages \$8 per month. Number of scholars, 17, average attendance only 8, because it was at a season when some were needed at home for work, and because a Select School was keeping 10 weeks of the time. The teacher acquitted herself well. Though her number was so small she gave herself to the work, and was very affectionate and decided in her discipline.

DISTRICT No. 3.—The teacher of the summer school has a rich experience in her profession and in a very quiet way performed her work successfully. Number of scholars 34, average attendance, 33; 8 weeks; \$8 per month. In the autumn a Select School was taught three months

in this district, and the teacher of this was expected to teach the winter school, but did not; and the parents and children were so disappointed as quite to unfit them to receive profit from any other teacher.

However with much effort a male teacher of some experience was employed. The Committee visited it near the commencement, and so far as seen, all things appeared favorable. Number of scholars, 26; average attendance, 19; length of school, 8 weeks; wages, \$18 per month. We were not notified of the close of the school and cannot report farther.

DISTRICT No. 4.—In this district, one teacher (female) was employed two terms; in summer 12 weeks; 35 scholars; average attendance, 27; wages, \$7 per month. She is apt to teach and did well for the “little ones” and of this class she had quite a share. In the larger scholars there was a want of distinct articulation and not as thorough as desirable. Still she was so popular, that at a school meeting they reconsidered a vote to hire a male teacher and voted to engage her for the winter school. Length of this, 14 weeks; number of scholars 29, average attendance, 26; wages, \$9 per month. The health of the teacher was poor which evidently detracted from her usefulness. She needs rest from these labors, and then apply herself to farther qualifications.

DISTRICT No. 5.—The summer school was only 8 weeks; 23 scholars, average attendance, 18; wages, \$6 per month. This teacher has taught quite a number of schools in town and has never been below medium, and by farther study is capable of arriving to a high standard.

The winter school was also kept by a female; 12 weeks, 28 scholars; average attendance 19; wages, \$8.50 per month. This teacher has book-knowledge sufficient, still was not successful. Though the parents and scholars might have done more to make a good school, yet the teacher is not easy and skilful in her work. After all at the closing examination many scholars showed much progress.

DISTRICT No. 6.—The same teacher (female) was employed two terms. Summer school, 10 weeks; 13 scholars; average attendance, 11; wages, \$6, per month. This teacher had not taught before, and being well qualified made the impress of her attainments on the scholars. The autumn term was 14 weeks; average attendance, 17; wages, \$6.80 per month. The Superintending Committee remarked at the opening of this school “That if the scholars so purposed they might gain as much as at any Select School” and the result in our judgment fulfilled the remark. The lessons in the examination were promptly repeated, evincing thoroughness.

The discipline did not come up to a high standard,—perhaps the very inconvenient school room was the reason of this defect.

DISTRICT No. 7.—The summer school was 8 weeks; 30 scholars; wages, \$7 per month; report not fully filled out. The teacher seemed interested in her work, but her health a part of the time was not firm, and the progress was not as manifest as desirable.

The winter school was taught by a female 7 weeks and 2 days; 33 scholars; average attendance, 28; wages, \$9 per month. When the school began the repairs on the house were not finished, and interrupted the exercise for several days and a number of the larger scholars were not through with attending a Select School for eleven days, and this would only leave $5\frac{1}{2}$ weeks of uninterrupted school; and in an examination of three hours, the teacher and the scholars acquitted themselves far beyond our anticipations.

A class of 10 in Colburn's Arithmetic were all deeply interested.—Also 5 in Adams' Old, and 2 in Adams' New Revised Arithmetic, had received much profit. Indeed the whole circle of studies exhibited the accuracy that is needed in every school. The parents manifest their confidence in the teacher by having a private school 6 weeks.

DISTRICT No. 8.—The summer school was 18 weeks; 14 scholars;—average attendance, 11; wages, \$7 per month. The report not finished. This teacher had not taught school before. Her qualifications were good and with the developement of more confidence and energy will make a useful teacher.

The winter school was taught by a male teacher; 12 weeks; 23 scholars; average attendance, 15; wages, \$14 per month. This school was the first effort of this teacher and the examination evinced thorough instruction. There was however a lack of distinct enunciation and some confusion from loud study and whispering which he may and ought to remedy in his future efforts.

REMARKS—1. Thus it is seen we have had in town 14 terms of school in the usual course, twelve female and only two male teachers. No. 1, $15\frac{1}{2}$ weeks; No. 2, 14 weeks; No. 3, 16 weeks; No. 4, 25 weeks; No. 5, 20 weeks; No. 6, 24 weeks; No. 7, 15 weeks and 2 days; No. 8, 23 weeks.

This averages 19 weeks to each district leaving 33 weeks of the year without any school. Who does not say the schools are yet too short?

2. *Select Schools.* To remedy the deficiency of short schools, the year previous to the last a Select School was taught four months and a half at the School house in District No. 3; and last autumn the same teacher was again employed three months, keeping up the interest excited the previous year; some scholars walking from home a distance of three

miles. In other remote parts of the town there were some who wanted to attend such a school and board at home; therefore another Select School was taught one term at the Hall, by a female who had previously taught a difficult winter school in town and with success. The school in No. 3, had more than 40 scholars and the one at the Hall about 25 scholars. These have done much to quicken the youthful mind and we see not why every district school may not become equally beneficial.—The private school in No. 7, we expect will be highly useful to that circle of youth.

3, *School houses.* In No. 7, they have thoroughly repaired their house making it convenient and erected an out building. In No. 2, a very little was done in repair, still the house is not sufficiently warm for winter, and hence it is urged to spend the money in summer or autumn, thus depriving some of the usual privilege of school. The house in No. 6, is miserably constructed, and so out of repair that they have no school in the winter. It is hoped that the people in that district will build anew or thoroughly repair. The injury on some of the best houses the past year has been more than the parents should allow. By-laws should be made requiring those who do any extra injury to make it good; such as breaking glass, doors, benches and the like.

4, *Teachers.*—The majority of teachers should be more careful in filling out the Register placed in their hands; for this is the property of the district, and being put into the possession of the Clerk, will be handed down to future generations. We have had the past year two reports filled out very tastefully indeed, viz: from the teachers of summer school No. 3, and of the winter school No. 7. Some of the rest are exceedingly defective. Teachers should aim at still higher qualifications. The best have room to improve, and the poorer should have their conscience quickened in this matter for the teacher's position is deeply responsible.

5. *Prudential Committee.*—The most important step is to select and hire a good teacher, and this Committee should make inquiry respecting the success of those they engage, in their former efforts. They should attend to the matter in good season, when a choice may be had, for money is in some instances worse than thrown away. Teachers should possess intellectual attainments, and, in addition, good judgment, with aptness to teach. Some minds can never become useful in teaching.—Those should be sought who will set a good example for children to imitate. This Committee should remember the law to notify the Superintending Committee of the beginning and close of the school.

The last remark is to *Parents.* They should as far as possible make their plans to have their children at school all the time it keeps. It is injurious and not economical to keep children away from school. It is lamentable that so many are kept away a part or all the time and those too who might do well if they attended. Moreover, parents should la-

bor and sympathise with the teachers and do what they can to help its discipline and aid their children in getting lessons at home. Even if the teachers are not the best, it is seldom wise for parents to talk of the failings of teachers in the presence of children. They should go themselves into the schools before suspicion has arisen that the teacher is not the best. A mother once said "her daughter always regarded her last teacher the best." Those who are slow to speak against a teacher will do most in helping their children to gain knowledge. Still there is an unquestionable demand for the best qualified teachers. The course must be onward and upward. A mother of two small children said "she did not like the low priced teachers." In short when one does remarkably well and becomes popular, *there is no need of constantly ringing the bell of applause* and when one fails in some respects *do not keep tolling the bell of disapprobation*. We have had too much of both the past year in the judgment of the Superintending School Committee.

JAMES HOLMES,	}	Superintending School Committee of Auburn.
STEPHEN DEARBORN,		
FRANKLIN CROMBIE,		

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